



Scotland Island water study

Northern Beaches Council has received state government funding to conduct an independent investigation into the commercial feasibility of the supply water and wastewater services to Scotland Island. The study will inform decisions to be made on the provision of reticulated water and wastewater services on island and the project will be delivered through a transparent participative process, including establishing a project working group

made up of residents and stakeholder representatives of Scotland Island.

As part of the project, several options for servicing the island will be investigated. This will address the type of system (gravity or pressure sewer) and who might operate it.

Two servicing options will be selected to take forward to the commercial feasibility study. The study will consider whether the proposed options will be commercially viable in the long term, and may propose suitable operating models for the system.



Local volunteers are needed to form friendships with youngsters on the peninsula.

Gig Buddies Sydney calling for Pittwater volunteers

Gig Buddies Sydney is looking for friendly, reliable volunteers to buddy up with people with learning disabilities on the peninsula and go out together for friendship and fun.

The program aims to put an end to social isolation and matches people based on a shared interest. It offers inclusion in community-based activities, such as music, theatre and sporting events. For many participants, they enter a new type of relationship that is not based on their need but on friendship and the things they enjoy.

"Through opportunities to hang out as buddies and have fun, participants can build independence in other areas of their lives, including development of social skills, using public transport and money handling," says a spokesperson.

"We provide training and ongoing support for the volunteers, and many of them have ended up forming lifelong friendships.

"We also hold regular gigs, which our Gig Buddy community, whether paired or unpaired, are welcome to attend. It's a shared experience in friendship."

For more information, phone 9419 6951 or visit gigbuddiessydney.org

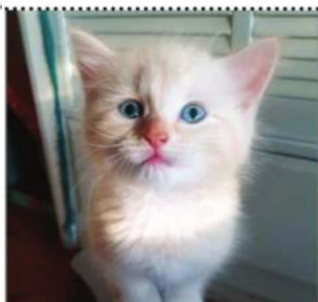
Can you adopt a cat or kitten?

S.A.F.E. Rehoming animal charity was established as a registered charity in September 2017 after the closure of the largest animal welfare center on the Northern Beaches - which was based in Ingleside - in July 2017. The committee is currently looking for a suitable location on the peninsula to move in from, but, due to zoning laws and high costs, is finding it very difficult.

In the meantime, S.A.F.E. Rehoming rescued almost 100 animals, including 72 cats and kittens and rehomed animals with no funding from the NSW Government or Council.

S.A.F.E. currently has 42 animals in foster care - 30 of which are desperately needing adoption.

Without the public's generous help,



S.A.F.E. Rehoming is looking for premises and potential pet owners to help home animals needing adoption

we could not continue our important work, and now is the time to make a tax-deductible donation to show your support," says S.A.F.E. Rehoming's director, Tim Crossman.

To find out how you can get involved by adopting or donating, visit saferehoming.com.au

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